

## 2021 REFERRAL TO EPA

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Certainty Index: Sender = atypical; canine = atypical

**Narrative: Email received:** I am wondering if there is a specific person I should contact about a dog's death that may be linked to the chemicals and pesticides used in the Seresto Flea & Tick dog collars? I adopted a 12-week-old Airedale Terrier mix back in January of 2013. She was 100% healthy except for an ACL tear, which was treated. I began using a Seresto collar on her for flea & tick prevention around June 2015. I know this because that is when I began my new job at Mount Nebo Agway. In March 2020, she was diagnosed with Lymphoma, and she passed away in June of 2020. This was a 100% healthy dog beforehand who was fed a high-quality kibble and showed zero signs of any cancer.

Furthermore, I have experienced a heart arrhythmia for the past couple of years. I am not sure if it's connected, but I saw in the article released today about the Seresto collars that some dog owners have experienced these symptoms. My dog slept in my bed the entire time I had her.

I would appreciate being directed to the appropriate person or agency to contact about this issue.

## **Email response:**

Thank you for emailing. I am very sorry to hear about the loss of your dog.

The National Pesticide Information Center at Oregon State University is an information service and has no regulatory authority in relation to pesticides. However, our incident reports are made available to the US EPA. If you would like to provide more detailed information about the situation, including the symptoms you have experienced, please call us at 800-858-7378 Monday - Friday from 8:00am to 12:00pm Pacific Time to speak directly to a Pesticide Specialist to further report and discuss the situation.

An additional mode of reporting adverse effects is by contacting the manufacturer. Under FIFRA 6(a)(2), manufacturers are required to submit adverse effects information about their products to the US EPA. I believe the following is the contact information for the company that manufactures Seresto collars:

Elanco Animal Health (888) 545-5973 (pet products)

If you still have a Seresto package on hand, you may consider checking that packaging to confirm the manufacturer. We maintain a database of pesticide manufacturer contacts:

Manufacturer Contact Information http://npic.orst.edu/ingred/manuf.htm LOG: 00293



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Again, please call us at 800-858-7378 Monday - Friday from 8:00am to 12:00pm Pacific Time to speak directly to a Pesticide Specialist to further report and discuss the situation. If you still have the Seresto product on hand, please have that available when you call so we can confirm the product's identity.

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